B. K. GADHVI): (a) Director of Anti-Evasion has not served any show cause notice recently on G.T.C. Industries Ltd. However, Collector of Central Excise, Bombay-II has issued a show cause notice to M|s. G.T.C. Industries Ltd., Bombay in March, 1988.

(b) The total amount of Central Excise duty allegedly evaded by M|s. G.T.C Industries Ltd. and their job-workers as per the show cause notices issued to them is approximately Rs. 205.81 crores.

(c) During the last one year i.e. during the period 1.4.1987 to 31.3.1988 a search was carried out on the premises of M|s. G.T.C. Industries Ltd., Bombay on 13.11.1987 and a number of incriminating records|documents seized. It would not be in the public interest to disclose the details of the seized records|documents.

(d) Out of the cases referred to in (b) above, one case has already been decided confirming an amount of Rs. 43.25 lakhs and imposing a penalty of Rs. 1 lakh. This amount is pending recovery. Proceedings in other cases have either been stayed by High Courts or are pending adjudication before the respective Adjudicating Authorities. Efforts are being made for vocation of the stay orders and expeditious disposal of the cases. The question of recovery of dues in these cases would arise only after they have been adjudicated. The question of taking any action against individuals involved in such evasion would also arise only after these cases are adjudicated.

Pakistani Spies

219. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of Pakistani spies are in the country and are collecting vital information;

(b) whether there is any Central machinery to check such anti-India operations;

(c) what are the details of the Pakistanis arrested during the last one year for their alleged involvement in spying; and

(d) what fresh steps Government propose to take to tighten the possible points of leakage of such vital information?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) Government is aware that a sizeable number of Pakistani spies are caught in the country every year. The intelligence task assigned to such spies include collection of vital information of tactical and strategic value connected with defence and other Government Departments.

According to information available, 88 persons including 73 Indians and 15 Pak nationals, were arrested on espionage charges during 1987 in the States of J&K, Punjab, Rajasthan and Union Territory of Delhi. The Central security agencies in conjunction with the security outfits of the State Governments are exercising maximum vigil to detect, unearth and neutralise any attempt at espionage by any individual or organisation.

Raids conducted by the income-tax officials at the Premises of United Brewaries Bangalore

220. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Income Tax officials at Bangalore had conducted raids at the business establishments of United Breweries group on 24th March, 1988 as reported in all the newspapers on 25th March, 1988;

(b) if so, what are the details of incriminating documents, etc. seized during the raids;

(c) whether any action has since been taken by Government against the management of M|s. United Breweries, Bangalore; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE

MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Income Tax Department conducted searches at various places in India including Bangalore on 24.3.88 at the premises of M|s. United Breweries Group and its directors. During the course of these searches, *prima facie*, unaccounted assets worth approximately Rs. 14.62 lakhs were seized. Besides, large number of documents indicating *prima facie* tax evasion were also seized. The Group has so far admitted concealment of income to the tune of Rs. 305.20 lakhs.

(c) and (d) Appropriate action such as assessment, penalties etc. as per Direct Tax Acts is taken.

Assistance by Asian Development Bank

221. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Asian Development Bank has shown keen interests in assisting public as well as private enterprises in India;

(b) whether the Bank President has recently held discussion with Government in the matter; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the discussions held and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) to (c) The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is progressively increasing its participation in financing projects in the public and private sectors in India. The ADB President visited India in March, 1988 to address the 19th World Conference of the Society for International Development. During his stay in Delhi, the ADB President called on the Prime Minister, Finance Minister and some other Ministers and exchanged views on matters of mutual interest.

Assistance to handloom agencies

222. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have recently decided to provide assistance to the State handloom agencies to help handloom weavers in the drought affected States; and

(b) if so, what are the names of the States and their handloom agencies to which such assistance are to be provided and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement showing names of the States to which the assistance is being provided and the quantum of margin money proposed to be released to them is attached (*See* below). The allocation of funds to the State handloom agencies will be made by the concerned State Governments.

Statement

(*Rs. in lakhs*)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Margin Money
1	Haryana	36 00
2	Himachal Pradesh	36.00
3	Karnataka	36.00